(b) what steps Government propose to take to build houses for the slum and jhuggi dwellers and the time to be taken for this purpose?

THE MINISTER OF WORKS AND HOUSING (SHRI ABDUL GHAFOOR): (a) According to the Survey conducted by the Government of West Bengal for identifying slum population, the estimated slum population for Calcutta was 30.28 lakhs during 1981.

(b) Housing is a State subject. Central financial assistance is given in the shape of 'block loans' and 'block grants' to help the State Governments to implement the social housing schemes in accordance with their needs and plan priorities

Krishi Vigyan Kendras in North Eastern region

1668. SHRI JERLIE E. TARIANG: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what criterion is adopted in establishing these Kendras;

(b) whether Government have received any applications for the establishment of the above Kendras from the North-Eastern Region; and

(c) if so, what are the names of the States and Union Territories in the North-Eastern Region which have applied for the setting up of the Kendras?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHANDULAL CHANDRAKAR): (a) The following criteria are adopted in establishing Krishi Vigyan Kendras: (a) the proposed district must have an agricultural potential; (b) the proposed district does not have training facilities for farmers and farm women; (c) there should be an Agricultural Research Station in the nearby area to give technical support to the proposed Krishi Vigyan Kendra in the district; (d) the State Government must give concurrence for starting Krishi Vigyan Kendra in the proposed district; (e) the district must be relatively backward; and (f) the State Government/Agricultural University/Voluntary Organization must provide 50 acres of developed farm with some basic infrastructural facilities including roads, water-supply etc.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The Indian Council of Agricultural Research has received three proposals for establishing Krishi Vigyan Kendras from the Assam Agricultural University, Jorhat and one proposal from Tripura.

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Modular design of three bed room house designed in U.K.

1670. SHRIMATI USHA MALHOTRA:
DR. LOKESH CHANDRA:
SHRIMATI KAILASHPATI:

Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING be pleased to state whether DDA has studied the modular three-bed room house designed and constructed commercially in U.K., according to customer's specifications, plumbed and wired with all fittings including carpets and curtains, provided in the self-assembly Pack?

THE MINISTER OF WORKS AND HOUSING (SHRI ABDUL GHAFOOR): The Delhi Development Authority has no information about it.

Irregularities by recruiting agents

1671. SHRI K. VASUDEVA PANICKER: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of complaints regarding irregularities by recruiting agents for